# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

IN RE:		)	
Meadowcraft, Inc,		)	Case No. 02-6910-TOM-11
	Debtor.	) ) )	Chapter 11 Proceeding

# OBJECTION BY BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. TO DEBTOR'S USE OF CASH COLLATERAL AND MOTION FOR ORDER GRANTING ADEQUATE PROTECTION FOR DEBTOR'S USE OF CASH COLLATERAL

Pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 4001(a), Bank of America, N.A, in its capacity as agent under the Credit Agreement (the "Agent") (as defined below), hereby objects to Meadowcraft, Inc.'s (the "Debtor") use of cash collateral and requests that the Court enter an order that either prohibits the Debtor's use of cash collateral or that provides adequate protection as a condition for the Debtor's use of cash collateral. In support of this objection and motion, the Agent shows the Court as follows:

## Background

- A. The Debtor commenced this bankruptcy case by filing its voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on September 3, 2002 (the "Petition Date"). The Debtor has continued to operate its businesses as debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 1107 and Section 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- B. Debtor is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Birmingham, Alabama.

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#### Jurisdiction and Venue

C. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter and the parties in interest and properties and interests affected hereby pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157(b) and §1334. This is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. §157(b)(2). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1408 and §1409.

#### Pre-Petition Credit Documents

- D. Debtor and Agent are parties to that certain Credit Agreement dated as of June 30, 1999 (as amended from time to time), among the Debtor, Samuel R. Blount (the "Guarantor"); the Lenders party thereto from time to time (the "Lenders"), and Agent (the "Credit Agreement").
- E. To secure repayment of Debtor's obligations to the Lenders under and in connection with the Credit Agreement, Debtor executed and delivered to Agent that certain Permanent Facilities Security Agreement dated as of June 30, 1999 (the "Security Agreement"). Pursuant to the Security Agreement, Debtor granted to Agent a security interest in, *inter alia*, all of Debtor's accounts (including accounts receivable, receivables, contract rights, book debts, checks, notes drafts, instruments, chattel paper, acceptances and choses in action), inventory, equipment, fixtures and general intangibles, together with proceeds thereof (collectively, the "Pre-Petition Collateral"). The Pre-Petition Collateral includes cash collateral.
- F. Pursuant to the Security Agreement, and in order to perfect the security interest granted therein, Debtor executed and delivered to Agent certain financing statements. In order to perfect its security interest in the Pre-Petition Collateral, Agent filed such financing statements with adequate descriptions of the collateral in the appropriate jurisdictions.
- G. As additional security of Debtor's obligations to the Lenders under and in connection with the Credit Agreement, Debtor executed and delivered to Agent the following:

- 1. that certain Amended and Restated Mortgage and Security Agreement, dated April 6, 2001, in favor of Agent recorded in Instrument No. 200105/0130, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson County, Alabama;
- 2. that certain Mortgage and Security Agreement, dated April 6, 2001, in favor of Agent recorded in Book 414, Page 506, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Randolph County, Alabama;
- 3. that certain Leasehold Mortgage, Assignment, Security Agreement and Financing Statement, dated January 1, 1996, in favor of Agent recorded in Book 1123, Page 107 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Dallas County, Alabama, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Leasehold Mortgage, Assignment, Security Agreement and Financing Statement, dated April 9, 2001, in favor of Agent recorded in Book 1213, Page 50 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Dallas County, Alabama; and
- 4. that certain Deed of Trust and Security Agreement, dated April 9, 2001, in favor of Agent recorded in Book 2001, Page 09996, in the Yuma County Registry, Arizona.
- H. The Credit Agreement, the Security Agreement and all other related agreements and documents issued pursuant thereto or in connection therewith are collectively referred to herein as the "Credit Documents." Copies of the Credit Documents are in possession of the Debtor and are available upon request from the undersigned. Debtor's obligations to Agent as of the Petition Date, as such obligations are more specifically described and defined in the Credit Documents, shall be referred to herein as the "Pre-Petition Debt."

- I. The amount of the Pre-Petition Debt due to Lenders under the Credit Documents as of the Petition Date was no less than \$43,885,664.84, that includes the following: \$42,316,643.72 principal; \$1,539,021.12 interest; \$30,000.00 Administrative Agent fee. There is also due and owing the Agent's and Lenders' expenses, including attorneys' fees.
- j. On or about January 3, 2002, the Debtor entered into that certain Loan and Security Agreement by and among the Debtor, Standard Federal Bank National Association (successor to Michigan National Bank), acting by and through LaSalle Business Credit, Inc., as its agent ("LaSalle"), as a Lender and as Administrative Agent for all Lenders, LaSalle Business Credit, Inc., as Collateral Agent for all Lenders, and Congress Financial Corporation (Southern) ("Congress"), as a Lender and as Documentation Agent ("LaSalle Working Capital Facility").
- K. Pursuant to the refinancing, LaSalle and the Agent entered into that certain Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of January 3, 2002 by and between the Agent, LaSalle and Congress ("Intercreditor Agreement"). In the Intercreditor Agreement, the Agent agreed to subordinate its interests, to the extent of the \$65 million LaSalle Working Capital Facility, in the Debtor's accounts, inventory and general intangibles, but not the equipment, fixtures and real property.
- L. Upon information and belief, on or about August 30, 2002, the Debtor withdrew \$3,100,000 from the revolving loan of the LaSalle Working Capital Facility to fund working capital needs during the early weeks of the bankruptcy while it negotiated postpetition financing. Prior to August 30, 2002, the LaSalle revolving loan had been paid in full. As of the petition date, the remaining accounts and inventory exceed the revolving loan balance, and thus a substantial portion of the Debtor's remaining accounts and inventory is Collateral of the Lenders.

As evidence, the Agent submits the August 25, 2002 borrowing base certificate attached hereto as Exhibit A.

M. Upon information and belief, the proceeds from the sale of prepetition inventory and the collection of prepetition accounts will be collected in the Debtor's deposit account maintained at LaSalle. The Lenders have not consented and do not consent to the Debtor's use of this or any cash collateral.

N. Under the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)(B), the Debtor cannot use the cash collateral without providing the Lenders with adequate protection. To date, the Debtor has not done so.

WHEREFORE, the Agent requests that this Court enter an order:

- (A). Barring the Debtor from using the Lenders' cash collateral;
- (B). In the alternative, authorizing the Debtor to use the Lenders' cash collateral, but only after providing the Lenders with adequate protection, in form and amount acceptable to the Lenders, for such use;
- (C). Ensuring that the Lenders have *nunc pro tunc* protection for the Debtor's postpetition use of the Lenders' cash collateral; and
- (D). Granting the Lenders such additional relief as this Court deems reasonable and just.

This the day of September 2002.

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COUNSEL FOR BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as AGENT

Exhibit A

LaSalle Business Credit, Inc.

	E DUSINESS CIEUN IG BASE CERTIFICATE	, 1110.				Client Name:	Meadowc	aft, Inc
Doi:		Г	Loan ID.	MEADOWCRAFT	Report No.	08-04	Report Date:	8/25/2002
		r	Factored	Acct. Rec.	ittepoti i toi	00 01		
ACCOUNTS REC	EIVABLE		A/R01	A/R02				TOTAL
	R Balance (From previous Report)		7,675,886.83	5,676,478.17				13,352,365.00
Gross Sales (	Invoices)	Colleteral Addition	85,515.20	184,912.32				270,427.52
Net Collectio	n (Wt. LB, Cash Rec'd. @ LBCT)	Collateral Subtraction	2,125,384.50	1,088,383.24	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		i	3,213,767.74
		Collateral Subtraction	223,035.58					223,035.58
Non A/R Col	lections	Collateral Subtraction	(223,035.58)				•	(223,035.58)
Discounts/Al	lowance	Discount (-)						
Credit Memo	DS	Credit Memos (-)	53,309.79	82,928.81				136,238.60
Adjustments	Monthly Aging (+/-)	Adj. Aging ( 1/-)						
Adjustments	(+/-)	Other Adj. (+/-)	(4,302.43)	(13,031.18)		·	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(17,333.61)
Adjustments	(+/-)	Other Adj. (1/-)	······································					······································
Non A/R Cas	h	Non A/R Cush (+)	223,035.58					223,035.58
		Net Collateral Adj.	(57,612.22)	(95,959.99)		1		(153,572.21)
Ending Collateral	Balance	'	5,578,405.31	4,677,047.26		I		10,255,452.57
Ineligible	End of Month A/R Incligible as of:	8/25/2002	1,535,166.97	1,434,369.38		:		2,969,536.35
_	Temporary Ineligible							
	Total Incligible		1,535,166.97	1,434,369.38			:	2,969,536.35
Eligible Collateral	 		4,043,238.34	3,242,677.88		•		7,285,916.22
Advance Rate - Ef	fective Adv. Rate		90.00%	85.00%	1			87.77%
Unapplied Cash	Balance from previous report						•	
Check box below to	Addition	-						
include unapplied cash	Subtraction		<u> </u>				:	
before Adv. Rate	Net Change	Unapplied Cash Adj.					<u>-</u>	
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Eligible A/R			3,638,914.51	2,756,276.20				6,395,190.70
A/R Available for	Advances (%)	areana 🗗 🛭	3,638,914.51	2,756,276.20		İ		6,395,190.70
A/R Sub-Limit		Long	65,000,000.00	65,000,000.00	T		İ	65,000,000.00
			Cost Basis	Inv-Res	RM - OLV	FG - OLV	Total - OLV	
INVENTORY:			INV01	INV02		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		TOTAL
Beginning Inv	entory as of	8/18/2002	13,829,565,55		6,357,537.06	5,344,690.55	4,610,097.72	13,829,565.55
	Purchases	Colleteral Addition	81,455.14					81,455,14
	Sales	Collateral Subtraction	381,065.08			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		381,065.08
Ending Inven	tory as of	<b>r</b>	13,529,955.61		6,357,537.06	5,344,690.55	4,610,097.72	13,529,955.61
Ineligible Inv	entory		12,923,710.86				, , , , ,	12,923,710.86
Eligible Inven	itory	·	606,244.75		6,357,537.06	5,344,690.55	4,610,097.72	606,244.75
Advance Rate	•		60.00%	60.00%	32.43%	47.68%	100.00%	60.00%
Eligible Inven	itory		363,746.85		2,061,749.27	2,548,348.45	4,610,097.72	363,746.85
Inventory Ava	LHAUHKY	oter took p	363,746.85		2,061,749.27	2,548,348.45	4,610,097.72	363,746.85
Inventory Sub	-Limit in the	eming Laura 🤭 🛨	20,000,000.00			:		20,000,000.00
GROSS AVA	ILABILITY (A/R AND INVE	NTORY)	4,002,661.36	2,756,276.20		i		
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Revolving Li	mit Para	ording band	65,000,000.00	65,000,000.00				
GUARANTESS								
Standby Lette	r of Credit Advance Rate			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			·	4.90
Trade Letter o	of Credit			i				
Guarantees T	otal Reserves			•				
LOAN ACTIVITY	: .							
	g Loan Balance (From Previous Re	epart)	4,067,827.36			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		4,067,827.36
Collections		Not Collection	3,436,803.32	-,				3,436,803.32
Negative Loai	ı Adj.	Other Loan Sub.	2,.00,000.02					2,420,603.32
Advances	-	Loan Adv. Request	499,328.05	-				499,328.05
	l (Interest, Fees, and Other Adjustments		,020.00	<del> </del>				777,348.03
	oan Balance (Revolving Loan)	'	1,130,352.09					1,130,352.09
Term Loan			-,-50,552.07					1,130,332.09
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Availability			10,222,309.27	2,756,276.20				12,978,585.46
Total Lines			65,000,000.00	65,000,000.00				65,000,000.00
BORROWER'S CO	MMENTS							

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants to Standard Federal Bank, NA that the information set forth herein is true and correct as of the date made, that any Accounts Receivable or Inventory classified as "Eligible Accounts" or "Eligible Inventory" conform in all respects to the respective definitions of "Eligible Account" and "Eligible Inventory" as set forth in the Loan and Security Agreement (or similar agreement) entered into by and between Standard Federal Bank, NA and the undersigned, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time).

Prepared By:	Authorized Signature
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that the foregoing has been served this day by depositing copies thereof in a depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service in postage prepaid envelopes and properly addressed as follows:

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